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Sir:

**AMENDMENT**

Responsive to the Official Action dated August 23, 2002, entry and consideration  
of the following amendments and remarks are requested.

**IN THE TITLE**

Amend the title wherever it appears to recite the following.

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--Expression Vector Containing A Drug-Resistance Gene Having A Destabilizing

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Sequence As Selection Marker.--

**IN THE ABSTRACT**

↓ Insert the attached Abstract in place of the originally-filed copy of the same.

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Amend the claims as follows.

Cancel claims 8 and 9, without prejudice.